

## DRESS CODE

- Students must use taste in the selection of their clothes and hair styles, thereby maintaining neatness, cleanliness and self-respect so that the school is a desirable place in which to promote learning and character development.
- All students are encouraged to wear tennis shoes or other shoes appropriate for active play. This is for the child's safety and comfort. Only soft-soled boots are permitted. No cowboy boots, high-heeled shoes/ boots, or hard-soled shoes/ boots are permitted. Flip flops and sandals are strictly prohibited.
- No head gear (hats, bandannas, etc.) or gloves may be worn inside the building. These items need to be placed in book bags during the school day. This applies to boys and girls.
- Clothing must be worn as intended. Undergarments are not to be worn as outer garments.
- Shorts and skirts will be allowed according to the following criteria:
  - Fit must be appropriate.
  - Length must be 1" below index finger when hands are by the side.
- If leggings are worn, they must be covered by a loose fitting top that is past the top of the legs in length.
- No holes in clothing will be permitted. Patches are suggested for extremely worn clothing.
- Shirts must conform to the following guidelines:
  - No tank tops.
  - No mesh or net shirts without another shirt underneath.
  - No halter-tops, spaghetti strap shirts, or shirts that bare the midriff. (All tops should cover the torso at ALL times.)
  - Shirts may not contain inappropriate or suggestive advertisements, slogans or pictures. (No inappropriate language or advertising of alcohol or tobacco.)
- No oversized clothing (safety reasons.)
- Make-up is not allowed except for programs or performances.
- Hair must not disrupt the educational process. Hair color will remain a natural color and Mohawks are not allowed. In matters of opinion, judgement of administration will prevail.
- Piercings – Ear lobe piercings are acceptable. For safety reasons, no hoop or dangling earrings are allowed. All other body piercings are prohibited.

Upon a violation of the dress code, the parent will be notified and expected to come to the school and either bring suitable dress for their child to change into, or take the child home to change clothing.

Continued violation may necessitate a conference with the child and the parents, which could lead to an out-of-school suspension.

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